The A., M. & O. Railroad. Both the Lynchburg morning dailies of Thursday call attention to a rumor in which Riebmond ought to feel some interest. The

Virginian says: "We learned yesterday, almost beyond sibility of doubt, that the rumor which we noted a week or two since re-specting negotiations abroad for the pur-chase of the Atlantic, Missis-ippi and Ohio ratiroad by parties whose interests would be mimical to those of the cities that sacrificed largely to secure the construction of

this great line, is true. t now appears that the British bondholders who have procured the order for forcelosure of mortgage and sale of the property-irfluenced by apprehensions of anfriencly legislation, instigated by the person whom they regard as almost omnipotent in Virginia affairs-do not care to become the purchasers of the property. And so they are entertaining propositions from other parties, who, if once in possesof the property, could not by reason of their location and their in-terest in northern railway connections and eities have any interest in the line east of a point at or near Salem, except for purposes of total tonnage. And so, in that event, Lynchburg, Petersburg, Richmond, and Norfolk would be switched off the main track, and all through trade diverted via the Valley to Philadelphia and other northern cities. And now we may well inquire, Is this to be the end of all our efforts and sacrifices in behalf of this line? Must Lynchburg and her sister cities, that have put millions in this work, stand idly by and see it pass under the control of people whose interests are alien to those of our cities and State?'

The News says: BEWARE !- There is danger in wait. Virginla cities and Virginia are threatened. A heme is hatching that will serve to sap the fountains of their prosperity. We have it from reliable authority that a plan is on foot and being pressed for the Shenandoah-Valley Company, backed by Tom Scott, to buy Atlantic, Mississippi and Obio railroad when it is sold next month. That means line at Salem, and a straight shoot to Philadelphia and New York. The Saenandoah-Valley road is striking for a southern connection, and that will secure it on the most favorable terms possible. The vital interests of Norfolk and Richmond and Petersburg and Lynchburg are involved in this matter. The long-hopedfor scheme of building up a great port at Norfork, which now seems so promising and which would be so vastly important to Virginia, will be nipped in the bud. Our capital city, which has started on a career prosperity, will be crippled. Lynchburg will have a severe blow struck to her trade and prospects. This proposed "cutof" will leave them all out in the cold. What will they do? Will they not make a struggle for their safety?

To us it seems perfectly clear that our policy is an alliance with the foreign bond-By every means in our power we should encourage them to become the purchasers. We should make friends of them assuring them of our friendship, and not repel them by outgivings of enmity, as has been so much the case. With the road in their hands Norfolk would be the couverging point of all the great through business which the ramifications of the line collect; direct trade would be established, and the city would grow and prosper. Other Virginia cities would have a fair show for business, with no discrimination The country would be against them. The country would be developed by lateral branches, and the road would be run on the English plan of low charges, which brings out the most busi-

By long odds our interests are with those of the foreign owners. They should They shou made to know that they will have friends all along the line, and will not be running the gauntlet of strangers and enemics. are afraid of immical legislation. Let them be assured that they will be protected by all the great power which the corporations and people along the line can bring to bear. We believe that the Councils of our cities, and even the county authorities, should take action looking to the opening of friendly relations between them and the parties beyond the sea. Mutual good-wil and confidence once established the way will be clear.

This is a time for wise action. Feeling

or sentiment should not come in the way. It is a business matter. Our best interests are threatened. We should hold out the hand to those who can save us. Exactly what should be done we do not assume to say, but we sound the alarm and hoist the danger-signal.

Virginia will of course lose the four millions of dollars which the Atlantic, Mississtopi and Ohio Railroad Company owes her.

pay more for the road than any other set of persons, and we had supposed they would most valuable property. But the Virginian seems to bave had information leading it to believe that they will not do so. The News takes a more hopeful view of the matter. One thing is certain, that whatever is to be done must be done soon.

The Railroad to Pittsburgh.

We feel a deep interest in the projected railroad from Lynchburg to Pittsburgh. Having for years resided on the banks of the Monongahela river, along which the best route for the new road may be found, and being familiar with that northwestern call our attention to this subject. We have ing it. We are almost ready to adopt the dictum of Mr. James E. A. Gibbs, of Rockbridge, that the most important enterprise of the present time affecting the interests of the greater part of Virginia, West Lynchburg.

Mr. Gibbs brings to bear upon the question his own knowledge of the country through which the proposed railroad is to in Republican journals, we conclude that pass, and declares for the route from Pitts. burgh up the Monongabela and Tygart's. Valley rivers to Mingo Flats, whence there to take place before there is any vacancy. to say more on that subject I would just is a natural open gap to the upper waters of His letter of renunciation is entirely 100 Eik and up Eik river to the head of Old- stiff and formal. It smells of the shop. Field fork, where nature has left a low, narrow ridge easily tunnelled, which opens the way to the waters of the Greenbries river, whence there is a valley leading to the summit of the Alleghany where the Warm-Springs turnpike crosses the mountain.

"There would be some difficulty in the descent here to Jackson's river, but not in-surmountable. From there the natural

mond and Allegbany railroad, and not touch Lexington.

The Alliance Not an Alliance.

Mr. GORHAM, the editor of the National Republican, is, we suspect, more anxious to by the aid of General MABONE's vote than the 3d instant : to promote the success of the Republican party. What he says must, therefore, be taken with many grains of allowance. His articles show that he is more than willing to form an alliance with General Manone, however the latter may be affected towards savs:

During the coming summer [fall] there is to be a State election in Virginia for the majority of the white votes as well as a majority of the colored votes. We hope and believe it will be attended with similar success in the coming campaign. We hope this because in opposition to it is the Bourbon Democracy-a party wedded to the past, sullen and bestile to the constitutional rights of the blacks, faithless to the condiions on which Virginia was readmitted to the Union, bitter and unrelenting toward popular education, and alien to all sympa-

thy with the nation.
In 1879 a minority of the Republicans of he State, unfamiliar with the debt question, and deceived by the clamor of brokers and wreckers, declined to follow the majority of with General Mahone on the debt question ther at present, because the extension re-were distrusful of the professions of the Readjuster Democrats as to a fair ballot, a fair count, and fidelity to the public schools. In 1881 these objections will not exist. good faith of the Democratic portion of the Readjusters concerning elections and education has been abundantly proven. They jury from frost, which will increase the are found to be atsolutely free from hos tility to the political rights of the enfranchised blacks. They have carned the con-tidence of that race, and can, if not obstructed by Republicans, overthrow the lican party of Virginia cannot do.

It the statement of General Manone on he debt question shall commend itself to the good judgment of Republicans throughout the country; if he shall satisfy the pon-ular conscience that his party more than any other proposes to devote all available State resources to the maintenance, first, of the he discharge of State indebtedness, why er than under Bourbon Funder rule, we reply that in the one case freedom, nationality, equal rights, education, and public the other they will all have been trampled

General Mahone's purpose is and has been to show the justice of the Readjuster cause, so that in the coming struggle in Virginia northern Republicans may not be used unwittingly to promote Bourbon success. If General Mahone and his thousands of white followers can lead in a campaign for the overthrow of southern Pharaobs, why should not the Republicans delight to make be made to know that that sentiment precause or for a name? decide. The election in Virginia can be made the signal for a new departure. The opportunity may not come again except low it to pass unimproved.

The patriotic men of Democratic antecepapers which seek to seduce them back into ginia will not be deceived by the Bourbon the party of the Funders. They know that General Mahone is a man who has grit and independence. He will no sooner surrender to one side than be will fawn on the other. He will go straight forward. The Republican Readjusters will stand by him as he has stood by them.

the Republicans; nor does General Mahone contemplate any such course. Of this the

writer hereof is fully aware. The course to be pursued by Senator Ma hone as to the organization of the Senate greatly distresses many people. We know that he awaits the fullness of time for the The foreign bondholders could afford to proper decision of that question. He has Is his advocacy of liberty, Union, and equality in a State party worthy of the codo so, and thereby regain control of this operation of the best elements of the North. look for advice? If he and his thousands of faithful white followers are sustained by Republican votes, Virginia will be redeem Republican fold, they will not come. If the Republicans of Virginia divide, and one wing makes a straight ticket, the candidates cannot secure the other wing, and the northern Republicans would have no sym-

pathy with their folly. The outery of repudiation will have no charm after to-morrow. Selush men who out disfranchising any citizens. "Nobody Rev. J. E. L. Holmes and others at the cannot rise above personal interests will be powerless to grind their axes by resisting progress and retarding civilization. Their to pay up." region, we needed not the reminder of our little minds may now see only the question Lexington correspondent "Petropons" to of how General Mahone will vote concern- nobody is disfranchised, it cannot make any ing a few Senate offices and committees; difference either to the voter or to the State but it will not be long before they will see kept our eye upon it ever since it became a a rising tide of national feeling and regard subject of newspaper mention and discus- for law and right in Virginia which will sion, and have written several articles touch- unite all liberal men and sweep away Bourbons without regard to party.

Mr. GARFIELD "formally declined" to accept the appointment of United States senator from Ohio and "renounced" the same. Virginia, and Western Pennsylvania is the It was perhaps allowable for him not to re- colonel.—Baltimore American. Lynchburg and Pittsburgh railroad con- sign a position which he had accepted, as he nection. We regard it as a project for a undoubtedly accepted it last winter, if not railroad from Richmond to Pittsburgh via formally, at least to all intents and purposes; and so he may mean nothing by the pecuhar phraseology of his note to the United States Senate; yet, from what we have read he thus attempted to pave the way for an have had a good deal to say lately about election of United States senator from Ohio White Burley tobacco, and if it is in order

This election will be extra-lawful, or The red rendered wrappers, to This election will be extra-lawful, or outside of law. There is no vacancy, Senator Thurman's term not expiring until could not be sold at prices to pay. Some March. The law providing for the election of senators to fill vacancies regularly occurring and the result was entirely satisfactory. surmountable. From there the natural route would seem to be to follow the river to Covington; but it makes quite a detour to the southwest from a direct line, and if a passage can be made through the Warmspiras Mountain the distance would be much abortened by coming to Lexington. The highest elevation on this route would probably be 2,500 feet."

He goes on to show why the route up the theat river is not so good a one. To the insurmountable objections which be raises to the Chext route we would add that the country which would be traversed by the railroad in the one case is far superior to the content of the sentor next is and some time and order it regular. All and the content of the sum of the content of the conten

title to it is investigated.

The "White Burley." Again. We find the following in the Monthly To-

bucco Circular of Messrs, SAWYER, WALbe elected Clerk of the United States Senate LACE & Co., of New York, under date of

"Cold weather retards business at the western breaks as well as in the country. The receipts at Louisville and Cincinnati prices current a year ago, and the same advance is paid for loose crops. Stemmers him. Nevertheless, as Mr. Gornam has bad have made a beginning, at about 5c. on the 7c. by country prizers. In Illinois some purchases have been made at 3634, and this is said to be the range for dark coarse choice of Governor and a Legislature. In Missouri, while 7@84 is paid for their Burthat election the State debt is to be the main ley crop, which constitutes about half the issue. Those who agree with the fairness yield of that State, and promises to monopoand integrity of General Mahone's position lize it this year. The continued popularity certainly think that if they can make oldwill, without regard to previous political of this Burley growth at steadily advancing The stocks of these two varieties are small, the Ohio and lower Green rivers are in burdensome abundance. It would seem desirable therefore that the Burley should be substituted for these intermediate and unpopular kinds, which can only be forced off at price unremunerative to the farmer and detheir bolitical brethren into the ranks of the Reädjusters and voted for candidates of their own. Doubtless some who agreed would be prudent to extend its growth far-

"We are still comparatively in the dark as to the quality of the western crop, but regret to hear that it has suffered some in-

proportion of low grades.
"The Virginia crop is represented as inferior, particularly the dark heavy leaf. The production of this sort is also smalllittle more than half an average-while the old Bourbou, reketionary, implacable, and irreconculable Democracy. This the Repubnearly an average crop."

In conversation with us an old dealer in Virginia tobacces for export, especially to Episcopal, 1,299. Methodist 1,328; Baptist, the continent, urged that if our people would try faithfully to produce the rich, fat dark leaf of old times there would be no difficulty in placing it at a good price; that government and the schools, and then to during a recent visit to Bremen, Germany. he conferred with the tobacco-men there bon success by making it a three-cornered about the standing of Virginia tobaccos, If we are asked what better off when they told him that nobody wanted the Republicans would be under Readjust- this tobacco now, not because western was better but because it was regular in size and quality, whereas Virginia had become so honesty will have been vindicated, while in irregular as to require them to class it as a "nondescript." He further urged that in Whitfield & Co. was decided by the jury the Clarksville (Tennessee) district they of Judge Aiken's court yesterday in favor would probably this year go largely into the of the plaintiffs. The amount involved was meeting for the ensuing year: Past Die-"White Burley," thus destroying for the time Virginia's chief competitor on dark heavy tobaccos in Europe, and that therefore now was the time to do our very best in bringing back the ancient type of heavy

Virginia tobacco. It is due to our friends in the country in need of and deserving relief. In this that we should present to them all sides of work the colored people have not been by Shackelford alternate. the question; but we nevertheless think any means neglected by the committee. that the effort should be made, in an experithrough great convulsions. Let us not al- mental way, throughout our dark-tobacco region, by the planters in general to produce the "White Burley." It is certainly dents who follow General Mahone in Vir- now greatly in the ascendant, and if we can

The State Debt.

We think that there is a substantial unity of opinion amongst the Democrats of Virginta as to the fact that the public debt of The much-talked-of intervals will show the State must be readjusted and taken out for itself. There is in it no tak of joining of politics. The Harrisonburg Old Comthe State must be readjusted and taken out

monucalth says: "Upon the State debt we have written our desire for a settlement upon the best terms possible, believing it the most important act that could happen to Virginia. We advocate the continued union of the Democracy as the best means to accomplish the result, and call upon both Readjusters tests, and unite for one common purpose now-a settlement."

The Lynchburg Virginian sees danger ahead, and warns the Democratic party that ed, and the future will take care of itself. it cannot subordinate its duty of governing by Rev. W. F. Tillett and others at the If these men are required to walk into the Virginia properly to any other question whatever.

CAPITATION TAXES .- The New Orleans Democrat says that the poll-tax law of Louisiana, as now enforced, accomplishes is disfranchised, yet everybody is compelled

Very good. If everybody pays up and whether the payment of such a tax is a prerequisite to voting or not. All who pay it are voters. All pay it. All, therefore, are

voters. PROMOTION FOR MAJOR CRAIGHILL.-The President vesterday nominated Major William P. Craighill, the Government engineer of this district, for promotion to lieutenant-

Glad to hear it.

We have Blackwood for December. For sale by Messes. Woodhouse & Parham.

Editors Dispatch: I have noticed that both you and some of your correspondents like to say a few words, and which few words arise from a sincere desire to promote

that which would be travelsed by it in the other, except perhaps that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be would furnish most timber.

We have faith that the Lynchburg and Pittsburgh railroad is soon to be constructed.

Pittsburgh railroad is soon to be constructed.

Pittsburgh railroad and Allerbany railroad, and and sould and Allerbany railroad, and and sould and Allerbany railroad, and not touch the new senator out of his content to the Senate to ginia, it would soon take a Whitney cottons and after the caboose, of the tobacco sold bere is purchased by one of our manufacturers, who works a large minor fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus elected shall be said or fingers to pull off such lint; and after that the Cheat route say whether a senator thus electe impossible to grow it without its having

One thing, I think, is settled beyond disshipping or fine flue cured wrappers. If a grower has land that will make either of such kinds, my idea is that he would be western breaks as well as in the country.

The receipts at Louisville and Cincinnati consist principally of Burley from Eastern in Virginia has had cause for many years Kentucky, and sell readily at 2@3c. above past to complain of the prices paid (quickly) either for fine shipping or fine flu-cured sorts, acre for acre, has beaten the lived but a few hours. frequent conversations with General MaHONE, we reproduce some of his remarks

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cially for the latter, no matter if it was nearly as big as the half of a horse-blanket. Mark you, I do not oppose planters ex-perimenting with the "White Burley" if they believe their land suited to it, but I time sorts that will pay they had better stick to such as their main crop. If you A PASFOR—ELECTION OF CHURCH COUNCIL.— for the formal repudiation of more than largely displace other sorts. The demand that is so, how can it be raised on land seems to be concentrating more and more which heretofore has brought tobacco with on two kinds, the extremes of quality-viz., so much sand on it as to compel Virginia the Burley for home use (and in a smaller degree for export), and the dark silky Clarksville and western district for export, notably to the regies and north of Europe. tobacco for planters and farmers for over while the intermediate sorts grown along thirty years will, I trust, be a sufficient excuse for wishing to have a word to say on the subject referred to. Yours, &c. X. Y. Z.

> PETERSBURG. NTERESTING CHURCH STATISTICS-ONE HALF

OF OUR POPULATION CHURCH-MEMBERS-AC-CIDENT. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatels.]

JANUARY 7, 1881. The church statistics of Petersburg for the year just closed show the somewhat remarkable fact that one half of the people of E. he city are church-members, with an additional Sunday-school organization of over 5,700. The total church-membership in the ommunity is 10.881, of which number Miller, 4,942 are whites and 5,939 are colored. The whites are classified as to denominations as school organizations of the several denominations are given as follows : Catholic, 141 ; 738; Presbyterian, 731; Hebrew, 71. Total,

1,308. Colored Sunday schools, 1,414. Blanchard Coleman (colored), while guarding a gentleman's horse near the post-office his morning, was kicked and quite severely ROBIN ADAIR. injured by the animal.

DANVILLE.

r. J. LEE & CO. VS. WHITFIELD & CO.-TE-DUPLICATED-WEEK OF PRAYER-KILLED. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.] JANUARY 6, 1881.

The case of T. J. Lee & Co. against A. P. about \$60,000. Whitfield & Co. were dealers in leaf topacco and failed. Senator J.
T. Stovall was endorser for Whitfield & Co. and a party to the suit, and the loss will fall principally, if not entirely, upon him.

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in distributing supplies to parties actually ner. J. A. Patterson was chosen repre-The Council, in giving the committee \$500, recommended that the Mayor appoint a speeial policeman for each ward, with instructions that he canvass his district thoroughly, personally examine every case of destitution, and report the facts as to the case to the Relief Committee.

At the meeting of the Council for this mouth President Holland reported as to the certificate of stock in the Midland railroad, which had been lost under a previous ad-ministration; that the duplicate which he had been ordered to apply for would soon

be at command.

The "week of prayer" has thus far been well observed, although the streets have been covered with slush and the nights by Rev. S. S. Lambeth-subject: "Thanksgiving for the Blessings, Temporal and Spiritual, of the Past Year, and Prayer for their Continuance"; on Tuesday night, at the Lynn-Street Methodist church, Rev. Dr. Martin-subject: "Humiliation and Confession on account of Individual, Social, and National Sins, and especially on account of Intemperance and Desceration of the Sabbath"; Wednesday night, Rev. J.
H. Patterson—subject: "Prayer for the Church of Christ—its Unity, Parity, and opportunity and are bosy curing and its Ministry-and for Revivals of Religion," The subject for to-night, to be discussed Main Street Methodist church, is "Christian Education, and Prayer for the Family, Sunday schools, and all Educational Institutions; for Young Men's Christian Asso-ciations, and the Press." The subject for to-morrow night: "Prayer for Christian Missions, and the Conversion of the World the wonderful feat of collecting tax with- to Christ"; which will be discussed by North Danville Methodist church.

STAUNTON.

ACCIDENT-RAILROAD DISASTER-STAUNTON FINANCES-MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES, [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

JANUARY 6, 1881. The convalescence of Captain E. W. Bayly was mentioned last week. He suffered a relapse a few days after, and died at his residence, in this city, Monday night. Captain Bayly was a native of Accomac county and a near relative of ex-Congressman some two or three heavy snow-storms, accompanied by the coldest weather for many trict so long and ably. He has been for years, if, indeed, there ever was weather years actively engaged in fire- and life-in-surance, and the public nature of his busi-ness and his genial disposition made him that depth on Christmas-day. Wednesday. his residence by Rev. W. Q. Hulliben, and morning reading from 11° to 13°

interesting daughters.

peake and Ohio from the East reached here

tobacco-grower well to make either fine at this point, is attending the wounded men, thousandfold greater, if that can be, than and it is understood their injuries are not it has ever been. dangerous.

A few days ago a Mr. Zimbrue met with a sudden and singular death at the house of Mr. David Sansbaugh, in the neighborhood

HONE, we reproduce some of his remarks upon the subject under consideration. He upon the subject under consideration at 3.64c. In the Clarksville district we hear much tobacco, and that the great bulk of it floating debt, \$1.484.24 Total, \$286,567.29 the secretaryship of the Separe, but asserts consequence has been very low prices, espe- Balance due the city, \$28,400; amount held that the latter has made no pledges. by sinking fund, \$18,500.

To-day the temperature here is almost like spring. The sun is shining warmly, with- lated to rea sure the country as to the honout a cloud in the sky, and the snow is esty of the Reajusters touching the State thawing rapidly, flooding the streets and debt, and certainly opens no way to an alli-PENN.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS-AUGUSTA COUNTY TAXES.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

JANUARY 7, 1881. bere by the Young Men's Christian Association, and very interesting meetings held principal of her debt. since Sunday evening. The hall was of Virginia—on paper—i ing, which was led by Captain H. M. Mc-Ithany, addresses being made by Revs. J. ishing growth of Virginia's industrie Ilbany, H. L. Hoover, and T. C. Morton.

H. Skinner, who spoke. Rev. William E. ginia, however, to be as poor as her dis-Baker and Talbot Coleman also addressed the meeting.

Miller. Wednesday night the meeting was condueted by Mr. William Rock, and addresses were made by Revs. J. E. Booker, William ignores the creditor and openly declare-

was followed by Revs. J. M. Frost and J. I. this matter puts it out of the ques-

Methodists, 1,512; Baptists, 898; Presby-terians, 620; Hebrews, 24. There are five colored churches in the city, with an aggregate membership of 5.939. The Sundaysee every day in the Dispatch, and read and efficiency in their collection go, the Rewith interest, is that the meetings here are adjusters have administered the offices much always led by laymen and held in the Young more creditally than their predecessors. Men's Christian Association Hall, while Further than this, the Bourbons have taken ministers invariably lead in your meetings, advantage of every opportunity to legislate which are held in the different churches. Rev. J. Crall, of Middletown, Pa., has acepted the call to the pastorate of one of the Lutheran churches here, and will enter upon his duties next Sunday.

I sent you vesterday the names of the new Council of one of the divisions of the Lutheran church. The other division of LIFF COMMITTEE-CERTIFICATE OF STOCK the congregation elected the following gentlemen; C. S. Baker, A. A. Grubert, S. S. Smeltzer, George W. Peaca, John W. Stover, John Wehn, M. P. Funkhouser, and William E. Craig.

Waynesboro' Lodge, Knights of Henor, elected the following officers at their last about \$60,000. Whitfield & Co. were deal- tator, B. P. Gaw; D ctator, W. M. Chew; The Relief Committee, under the lead of J. R. Van Horn; Guide, J. W. Ellison; President James M. Neal, have been active Guardian, John Hill; Sentinel, D. P. Gar-

last, and the total decrease of valuation under the new assessment is \$327,559 53. The difference in assessment is \$427,559 53. which, at 50 cents on the \$100, makes a reduction in the tax of \$2,137.80. PENN.

KING WILLIAM COUNTY.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch] This has been so far the hardest winter known since the long-to-be-remembered one 9.30 A M. Church-Morning service, 11 A. M. of 1857. Snow has lain longer than most of evening service, 35 P. M. us can recollect it to have done before. It has covered the whole surface since the 22d most of this month. While it is a draw-back to farmers in many respects, still it is rainy. The services were conducted on of great benefit to the growing wheat crop Monday night at the Presbyterian church particularly to the late sown, which is the particularly to the late sown, which is the condition of much this year. Some large crops of corn still remain ungathered, owing to bad weather in November and December and scarcity of labor towards the

end of the year. The rivers which form the northern and southern boundaries of this county, the cross them on foot. Some have seized the opportunity and are besy cutting and storing the ice for the summer. It is about five inches thick and quite clear.

house a few days ago with a fire, and on her return found the poor creature so badly burnt as to be thought fatally so.

Deer are uncommonly plenty this season in portions of this county. Four were seen to cross the Pamuokey last week on the ice within a short distance of each other pursued by bounds from New Kent county, but made good their escape, though their progress on the slippery path was not tapid. EATON, dialogues by the children, fine single grand Two were fawns, and were no sooner on | their feet than were down again, but man-DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN-ELECTION a ged to work their way over, the river being OF CHURCH OFFICERS-SINGULAR AND FATAL quite narrow at that point. The birds find accident-railroad disaster-staunton it hard to get food, and fearlessly invade the houses in search of crumbs from the table, hunger making them comparatively tame.

[For the Dispatch.] Baistot, Goodson, January 5, 1881. Since the 24th of December we have had probably the best known gentleman in Staunton. He was buried yesterday from were the coldest days, the thermometer each leaves a deeply-afflicted widow and three zero, and rising only a few degrees during nteresting daughters.

At the election held last Sunday the folmany of our housekeepers lost their pre-

lowing gentlemen were elected members of serves and can-fruit by the bursting of the the Council for the Central Evangelical Lu- jars. There has been doubtless much suf theran church of this city: George P. Ba- fering in our midst, as the stock of wood stiff and formal. It smells of the shop.

P. S.—The papers of yesterday bring us the following:

The Ohio Senatorial Question.—Colum
The Ohio Se riages in Augusta county; 157 couples were white and 50 colored. In this city 22 white moderated, and during the day yesterday a joint resolution to proceed to the election of a United States senator on January 18th. divorces granted to colored couples in the Hustings Court.

When the express train on the Chesa- leaves the roads almost impassable. I am glad to inform you that the prospect Wednesday morning the baggage-car was for the building of the Narrow-Gauge railon fire, but the flames were extinguished road leading out from Bristol to Cumber-before any great damage was done.

that which would be traversed by it in the vacancies. However, it is for the Senate to | ginia, it would soon take a Whitney cotton- | engine just before it struck the caboose, | of the tobacco sold here is purchased by one

the new senator out of his seat until his many sections of our State that it would be man, were both injured more or less; and ble sheet for January 1st is a grand thing. Captain T. H. Sutter, the conductor of the first train, who was in the caboose at the energy and perseverance. It is worth energy and perseverance. It is worth rich lands, if it escaped grit and sand, time it was struck, and bis brakeman, double a year's subscription. The Dis-Daniel O'Neale, were also much hurt. Their patch, always good, true, reliable, honest, escape from death seemed miraculous. Dr. able, and independent, seems to grow better pute, and that is that it will pay a Virginia J. St. P. Gibson, the company's physician as it grows older. May its success be a

> Mahone. Representative Goode, of Virginia, in an interview this evening, denies the statement of Newport, this county. Carrying a stick that Senator Mahone, of his State, is going of wood into the house, snow on the beels to act with the Republicans in the organizaof his boots caused bim to slip and fall, tion of the Senate. He says he has it from wrappers, and I am perfectly satisfied that The base of his skull was fractured, and he that gentleman bimself that he has no purpose to forsike the Democratic party. The treasurer's report shows the financial Goode says that the statement grew out of Virginia has for many years past made too much tobacco, and that the great bulk of it 1881, as follows: Bonded debt, \$285,083.95; with Mr. Mahone with a view of obtaining

> > General Mahone's address is not valeu-

ance with the Republicans. The Riddlefor the formal repudiation of more than | low cost to close; one-third of the entire debt. It is scarcely | BLACK CASHMERES from airction; necessary to say that no such measure can or DRESS-GOOLS of all kinds at and below ever receive the approval of the Republic in UNLAUNDRIED SHIRTS at \$0c. worth \$ party. As is quite natural, the Readjusters The week of prayer has been observed defend their course on the specious plex that the State is too poor to pay the entire since Sunday evening. The hall was of Virginia-on paper-is proverbial, crowded to overflowing at the first meet. And yet, it is less than a week since we were called upon to note the aston-I. Miller, R. R. S. Hough, and Messrs, Mc. during the past year-a prosperity which the official returns of the Census Bureau Monday night the leader was Colonel J. even more fully reveal. Supposing Vir honorers would have her believed to be, that affords no justification for such a fore Tuesday night Mr. William J. Nelson led ble readjustment of her obligations as the TTP HO! FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE and spoke, and was followed by Mr. Charles Riddleberger bill contemplates, however Grattan and Revs. R. R. S. Hough and J. I. Just an excuse it may furnish for asking a further concession on the part of the creditors. The Republicans of Virginia can never ally themselves with a party that it will pay just as much or just as little that it will pay just as much or just as after that it will be after that it will pay just as much or just as after that it will be after that as after that it will be after that it will be after that as after that it will be after that as after that a supplier that as after that as after that as after that afte dueted the services, and after some remarks position taken by the Relidjusters in tion for the Republicans to form The services will be continued through alliance with them, it does not by any means the week and concluded on Sunday after-noon. There is much interest felt in them Debt-Pavers. All that the Readjusters say

MARRIAGES.

Married, at Scannton Hill, Charlotte county, Va on the 5th of January, 1881, by the Rev Thomas Drew, JAMES B. BAYLOR, of the United State Coest and George is Surgey, to ELLEN C. BRU C. est and Geode ic Survey, to aghter of Charles Bruce, E

against the colored race. - Battimore Ameri

DEATHS.

Entered into rest at 11 o'clock Thursday night, after a painful these of nearly tour months DAVIS ROSCOF, sen of W. D. and Mine D. Chesterman; aged twelve years.

The funeral will take place from Dr. Hoge's elsurch
Titl's (Saburday) MolfNING at 11 o'clock. Friends
and acquaintances are invited to attend. Mrs. SUSAN LAMAR TURPIN, caughter of Dr. J. L. M. Curry, and wife of Br. L. bar L. bar.

TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.-Rev. T. L. PRESTON, D. D., pastor,

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN de 18 SASSAW CHURCH.-Dr. Hoge at 11 A. M. Seventh lecture on 'Prophecy" at 4 P. M. TE GRACE-STREET PRESBYTE-

RIAN CHURCH - Rev. C. H. READ, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7:45 P. M. MONUMENTAL CHURCH (Rev.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN ultimo, and bids fair at present to remain CHURCH (Seventh street between Grace and most of this month. While it is a draw- Broad). Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, postor. Sunday chool at 9:30 A.M. Preaching at 11 A.M. and ELANKETS, FLANNELS, AND CASSIMI 7:30 P. M. Straugers and visitors welcome. Seats

> ER BROAD-STREET METHODIST CHURCH SCNDAY, January 9 - Preaching by S P E C I A L: bject: "The Foot-marks of the Almighty," At 7:30 P. M -subject: "Will our Lord tarry for one night only?" A cordial invitation to all,

EST CENTENARY METHODIST CHURCH (Grace street between Four h and Figh TERSON, at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 . P. M. Scal

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (cor-A negro woman living in "Acquinton parish" left her young cuild alone in her mer Tweifth and Broad streets - Rev. J. B. Haw-THORNE, D. D., pastor, will preach on SUNDAY at 11 A. M.—subject, "The Unseen Christ"; and at 7% P. M.—subject, "Pilate and His Imitators," All

> THE BAPTIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF RICHMOND AND MAN-CHESTER will hold it's quarterly meeting with the Grace-Street Bapti t church next SUNDAY AFTER-NOON at 3 o'clock. There will be an address by Dr. ther lateresting exercises.

\$3 POSTPONEMENT.-The regular onthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday-school ociety has been postponed until further notice, A. L. WEST, President.

OFFICE MERCHANTS AND MECHANICS INSURANCE COMPANY OF VIRGINIA. 1214 Main street, Richmond, Va. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING

Ja 7-td CITY BANK OF RICHMOND.-Th Cannual meeting of the stockholders of the City Eark of Richmond will be held at this Bank on the morning of the 10TH INSTANT at 11 o'clock, WILLIAM R. TRIGG, Cashler, RICHMOND, VA., January 3, 1881. j. 4-14

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE A STOCKHOLDERS OF THE DISPATCH COM-PANY will be held at the office of the commany TUESDAY, January 11, 1-81, at 12 octoes M. Ja 1 H. K. ELLYSON, Secretary.

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